

Amendments to the Specification:

The paragraph starting at page 8, line 3, is amended and now reads as follows:

-- In the surgical microscope 301, the external image data 309 and the image of the object 305 can be combined by the mixer 340 in a suitable way and be made available via image display unit 311 to the primary and/or associate viewer. The direct image of the object 305 is suppressed by a ~~shutter~~ shutter 350. --